

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2012-115-C

In Re: LifeLine Linkup Reform - Petition of
the Office of Regulatory Staff for Adoption
of FCC Mandated Changes to Lifeline and
Link Up and for Expedited Relief

PETITION TO INTERVENE
OF ALLIED WIRELESS OF THE
PALMETTO STATE, LLC
d/b/a U-LIFELINE WIRELESS

Allied Wireless of the Palmetto State, LLC d/b/a U-Lifeline Wireless, ("Intervenor") hereby petition the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") through its undersigned counsel, to intervene in the above-captioned docket pursuant to R.103-825 of the Commission's rules. In support of this petition, Petitioner states as follows:

1. On February 6, 2012, the FCC issued an order modifying 47 C.F.R. § 54.101. of the FCC's rules concerning Lifeline and Link Up service. See In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, FCC 12-11 (rel. Feb. 6, 2012)("Lifeline Reform Order").

2. In light of the FCC's Lifeline Reform Order, on March 19, 2012, the Office of Regulatory Staff brought a petition in the above captioned docket requesting 1) guidance from the Commission as to whether \$3.50 in state Lifeline support should continue to be provided, 2) adoption of new consumer eligibility criteria, and 3) a requirement for ETCs that have tariffs, guidebooks or pricelists to modify them by April 12, 2012

3. On March 27, 2012, Intervenor filed a petition with the Commission seeking designation as an Eligible Telecommunication Carrier for the purpose of providing Lifeline Service to qualified households. See *Application of Allied Wireless of the Palmetto State, LLC d/b/a U-Lifeline Wireless For Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Limited Purpose of Offering Lifeline Service to Qualified Households*, Docket

No. 2012-133-C.

4. Given that Intervenor has a pending application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier, it has a direct interest in any order or regulation which the Commission may issue regarding the provision of Lifeline service in South Carolina and the state's regulation of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers.

5. Counsel for the Intervenor has been advised by Nanette Edwards, Esquire, that her client, the Office of Regulatory Staff, does not oppose this petition.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays that it be allowed to intervene in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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